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TAGS: PARM - JA

SUBJECT: CCD: NPT: JAPANESE RATIFICATION

1. AMB NISIBORI, JAPANESE REPRESENTATIVE AT CCD, TOLD  
US DELOFF MARCH 27 THAT HE HAD RECENTLY SENT FORCEFUL  
EIGHT- PAGE TELEGRAM TO TOKYO URGING PROMPT RATIFICATION  
OF NPT AS SOON AS TECHNICAL PROBLEMS WERE SOLVED.

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NISIBORI CLAIMED TO KNOW FROM FRIENDS THAT PREMIER TANAKA AS WELL AS FONMIN OHIRA HAD READ HIS TELEGRAM.

2. NISIBORI SAID HE HAD ARGUED IN HIS MESSAGE THAT IT WOULD BE FOLLY FOR JAPAN TO TRY TO " GET SOMETHING" IN RETURN FOR NPT RATIFICATION. CHINESE AND SOVIETS, WHATEVER THEY MAY SAY FOR PUBLIC RECORD, KNOW JAPAN CANNOT FOR " ECONOMIC, POLITICAL, CONSTITUTIONAL, SOCIAL AND PUBLIC OPINION" REASONS ACQUIRE NUCLEAR WEAPONS NOW OR IN FUTURE. ON CONTRARY, NISIBORI URGED TOKYO TO TREAT NPT RATIFICATION AS FIRST MAJOR FOREIGN POLICY MOVE TAKEN BY JAPANESE ON THEIR OWN INITIATIVE WITHOUT PRODDING FROM US OR IN REACTION TO SOME EXTERNAL DEVELOPMENT SUCH AS NIXON VISIT TO CHINA.

3. NISIBORI SAID HE WAS " ABSOLUTELY CERTAIN" JAPAN WOULD RATIFY NPT WITHIN A YEAR OR SO.  
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